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## EXECUTIONS ADMITTED O.C. Kishi Unit Gives Four Reasons Why He Personally Killed Two Chinese

### STAT. MENT ON RELEASE SOON

London, April 10. The Labour Minister, Mr. James, stated in the House of Commons today that he hoped, before the Easter recess, to announce the provisional programme for release from the Services.—Reuter.

### OPOSSUM DIVERTED TO RESCUE

A quick rescue was carried out by H.M. sloop Opossum early on Tuesday morning when the ship located eight survivors from an R.A.A.F. Liberator which crashed into the sea south of Mindanao. Two men—a Flight Lieutenant and a passenger—are still missing from among the eight R.A.A.F. crew and two Australian passengers who were on board. All the survivors were injured, three seriously. The plane's route is unknown but it was only thirty miles from land when the forced landing occurred on Monday morning. H.M.S. Opossum was diverted to take part in the search while en route to Sydney from Hong Kong and had made a rescue dash of a hundred miles when two dinghies from the distressed plane were sighted. The sloop proceeded to Zamboanga to obtain hospital treatment for the three serious casualties.

### RIOT IN NAPLES

Rome, Apr. 9. Two persons were seriously wounded when the police opened fire on demonstrating former prisoners-of-war, who endeavoured to set fire to the Naples town hall today. Earlier, all traffic in the centre of Naples was held up as shouting crowds jammed the streets, halting trams and causing shopkeepers to pull down their shutters.—Reuter.

## President's Term To Be Limited

Washington, April 10. Republican leaders today predicted success for the contemplated campaign to limit the term of any future United States president to six consecutive years. A "discharge petition" was filed in the House on March 8 by Representative Diken, Republican of Illinois, and 218 signatures are needed to force the vote in time to submit the proposal to the people in the form of a constitutional amendment before the 1948 presidential elections.

### Bigger Pay For U.S. Servicemen

Washington, April 10. A \$400 a year increase of wages for all Army and Navy Officers and Enlisted Men is proposed by Representative Barnes, Republican of Indiana. "This is the amount of increase that the House voted last week for postal and other federal employees," Representative Barnes' proposal was offered as a substitute for the Army-Navy suggestion that their pay and allowances should be boosted by a flat 20 per cent increase.—Associated Press.

## One Japanese Is Acquitted

ADMITTING THAT HE HAD PERSONALLY EXECUTED TWO CHINESE VILLAGERS, LIEUTENANT KISHI YASUO, LEADER OF THE JAPANESE UNIT ON LAN-TAU MEMBERS OF WHICH ARE CHARGED WITH WAR CRIMES, TOLD THE MILITARY TRIBUNAL YESTERDAY THAT HIS REASONS FOR DOING SO INCLUDED THE FACT THAT HE HAD FEW SOLDIERS IN HIS COMPANY, THAT HE FEARED FUTURE ATTACKS, AND THAT—ALTHOUGH JAPAN HAD ALREADY SURRENDERED HE WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR PEACE AND ORDER UNTIL THE ARRIVAL OF ALLIED FORCES.

ONE OF THE 15 JAPANESE ON TRIAL WAS ACQUITTED YESTERDAY AS THE EVIDENCE AGAINST HIM WAS INSUFFICIENT, OWING TO THE FAILURE OF A WITNESS TO IDENTIFY HIM. THE PRESIDENT OF THE COURT TOLD HIM HE WAS LUCKY TO HAVE BEEN TRIED BY A BRITISH COURT. THE MAN, AN ORDINARY JAPANESE, WILL BE SUBJECT TO DETENTION IN A WAR, BUT HIS ACQUITTAL IMPLIES HIS REMOVAL FROM STANLEY PRISON.

The Prosecuting Officer is Captain J. E. Kelly, Staff Captain (Legal), H.Q. A.L.F.S.E.A., and the Defending Officer is Mr. Croft, R.A.S.C., assisted by Captain Moti Singh, Jodhpur Regiment. In his submission, Capt. Croft said that the prosecution had brought no evidence against Takahashi Haruhiko other than that he was a member of the Kishi Company. Considering all the prosecution evidence, Capt. Croft asked the Court to acquit the said accused. The Court adjourned for 40 minutes to consider the submission, and on resumption of the sitting, the President, Lieut. Col. J. C. Stewart, addressed Takahashi.

"Fortunate" "Takahashi Haruhiko," he said, "the decision of this Court is that you will be acquitted at this stage. You may consider yourself fortunate that you have been tried by a British Court in accordance with the high traditional standards of British courts. The opinion of the Court is that the evidence against you, if believed, would not justify your conviction as a war criminal. It cannot be said that the charge against you was in any way frivolous. You owe your acquittal to the failure of

a witness to identify you in this Court. You are free to leave this Court subject only to your detention as a prisoner-of-war." Capt. Croft, Defending Officer: Mr. President, it is in order for me to ask that the accused be removed from Stanley Prison to Shamshupo Camp? The President: I don't think so, Capt. Croft. He will be subject to detention as a prisoner-of-war and that is a question for another authority. As far as this Court is concerned, he is acquitted. I have no doubt he will be removed.

Defence Case In opening his defence Capt. M. Croft said: "Although the accused persons have been charged collectively, a separate verdict of guilty or not guilty will have to be found for each one of them from the Company Commander Lieut. Kishi Yasuo down to second class Private Okamoto Kichitaro. "A distinction should be drawn between those who gave orders and initiated policy, that is to say Lieut. Kishi Yasuo and Lieut. Matsumoto who had the responsibility of command, and those who may have carried out orders received from their superior officers.

The legal considerations under International Law by which the defence hopes, to show that accused officers and the other accused are not guilty of the war crimes with which they have been charged, will be fully dealt with in my closing address, together with other points of law that may be relevant. "My task now is to outline briefly the evidence that I intend to call for the defence. "It is intended to call evidence that Sgt. Jomori Riechi and Lt. Ando Takashi were not present on the scene when the alleged crimes took place. "It is intended to call evidence to show what orders were received by Japanese units in this command following the broadcast of Hirohito, Emperor of Japan, on the 15th of August, announcing that his country had accepted the Potsdam Conference conditions. In particular, evidence will be given before this Court of orders given to Kishi by his C.O.

Sizeable Force "It is intended to show that at approximately 1440 hours on the 19th August, the H.Q. of the Kishi Company, situated beside the village of Chung Han in Silver Mine Bay, was subjected to a severe attack by a sizeable force of between 50 and 80 armed Chinese dressed in plain clothes. The attack came from three directions: from the village of Chung Han, from the adjacent hill tops, and from the barbed wire barriers on the hillside. After an hour's hard fighting, the Chinese were driven off and dispersed into the hills and the helplessness of the Japanese was evident. One Japanese died.

### Explosion

Vienna, Apr. 10. An explosion which blew out a small amount of track on the Vienna-Linz railroad line Monday night delayed the Mozart military train for seven hours. It was the second explosion in two weeks to interrupt the service.—Associated Press.

## SAIGON EXPLOSIONS DYING DOWN

Saigon, April 10. The explosions of munitions thundering in a pyrotechnic ammunition dump for the past 24 hours have subsided to lesser blasts at five and ten minutes intervals as Saigon began to return to normal yesterday. Officials said the explosion was definitely accidental.

Total tonnage of the munitions involved is unknown, but the loss was confined for the most part to Japanese ammunition. Fall casualties remained uncertain yesterday as the northern outskirts of the city remained closed. Hospitals scaled down earlier estimates of 70 persons seriously wounded and said that only about 20 of several hundred who received cuts and bruises proved to be badly hurt. The fate of an estimated 100 Annamite workers and half a dozen French supervisors inside a pyrotechnic factory when the explosions started remained unknown. Most of them are believed to have escaped. A military spokesman yesterday estimated the final total to be approximately 30 killed. They were French troops, he said, and were in the ammunition dump at the time.—Associated Press.

## No Pre-War Labour Standard

Manila, April 10. Employers in the Far East who hope to return their workers to pre-war standards were criticised by the Philippine Labour Secretary, Marcelo Addaura, who, at the same time cast a few shafts at labour. His statement came at a time when strikers reached their peak and were seriously hampering reconstruction. "Without employers," Addaura had this to say: "It will be a great disaster to the country if we have employers who keep looking back to 1941 or earlier, who set their eyes to the making of profits without regard to human elements, who regard human labour as a mere commodity." "Of labour," he declared, "it is of utmost importance that labour develop a sense of responsibility to accommodate their tactics within the framework of the country's rehabilitation programme; there should be no reason why its differences with capital may not be composed and adjusted at the conference table, or in the legislative halls without wrecking or hampering the processes of reconstruction."—Reuter.

### FOREIGN MINISTERS CONFERENCE

London, April 10. The Paris meeting of the big four foreign ministers is expected by London informed circles to provide the occasion for widespread discussions far exceeding the scope of the draft peace treaty. "British support of the United States view that the conference should be a 'four big powers' meeting, and that the conference should be a 'four big powers' meeting, and that the conference should be a 'four big powers' meeting," said a source in the Foreign Office.

## FASCIST METHODS IN BURMA

Rangoon, April 9. Uba Po, anti-Fascist League leader, who visited London in 1944 for consultations on the future constitution for Burma, accused the British of using "Fascist methods" in Burma. He was commenting on the speech by Mr. Arthur Henderson in the House of Commons on Friday. "By rejecting the demand for early elections, by running the country with a puppet Executive Council, and the glorified society called the Legislative Council, the British Government is using Fascist methods, which is the same as using force," he declared. "Burma is not a complete independence, but Mr. Henderson talked only of Dominion status." U Saw, former Premier and leader of the Nationalist Party, said that the British Cabinet Mission should come out to Burma to find out the true situation. "The present Executive Council has absolutely no power. "I do not think it is yet too late for the British Government to allay the doubts and suspicions of the Burmese by reconstructing the Council on a popular basis with real power."—Reuter.

### MOUNTBATTEN

Sydney, April 10. Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten left Darwin today to return to South East Asia, after his visit to Australia and New Zealand. Before leaving he said he wanted to get back to South East Asia, adding, "but I would like to come to Australia to serve." Reuter has unconfirmed reports that Lord Mountbatten may succeed the Duke of Gloucester as Governor-General of Australia.—Reuter.

## Army And Old School Tie

London, April 10. Mr. Piratin, Communist member for Mile End, will ask the War Minister in the House of Commons on Thursday what proportion of the officers commissioned in the Army from January 1942 to December 1945 were educated at Public Elementary, Head Master Conference (Secondary) schools and schools receiving no financial aid from the Ministry of Education. He will also ask how many were commissioned to the Brigade of Guards.—Reuter.

Paris, Apr. 10. The French Cabinet decided today that the French celebration on the first anniversary of the German surrender will be held on May 8, the day the surrender was signed in Berlin.—Reuter.

## Ghastly Report On Jap. Atrocities

CANBERRA, APRIL 10. IN THE SECOND REPORT ON THE JAPANESE ATROCITIES TODAY, SIR WILLIAM FLOOD-WEBB, CHIEF AUSTRALIAN DELEGATE TO THE TOKYO WAR CRIMES TRIALS, SAID IT WAS DIFFICULT TO FIND SLAVERY CONDITIONS IN ANY COUNTRY AT ANY TIME, WORSE THAN THE JAPANESE CONDUCT TOWARDS HER PRISONERS-OF-WAR. THE REPORT SAID THAT OPPORTUNITIES HAD DELIBERATELY BEEN GIVEN BY SADISTS TO JAPANESE GUARDS OF BEATING HELPLESS PRISONERS TO DEATH. MEN WERE DELIBERATELY KICKED ON TROPICAL ULCERS AND TORTURED TO SUCH AN EXTENT THAT THEY BEGGED FOR DEATH. OTHER PRISONERS WERE BURNED WITH PETROL AND SHOCKED WITH LIVE ELECTRIC WIRES.

The standard of food, accommodation and sanitation provided for prisoners on ships and railways was almost without exception a gross violation of the rules of warfare. Sickness among prisoners was regarded as a crime and the sick were singled out for special maltreatment. When men suffering from cholera collapsed the Japanese tried to force them to get up and then ordered other prisoners to bury them in a truckload of stones. They refused and were beaten. Hospital accommodation proper did not exist and the so-called hospitals were simply dead dumps, the report added.

Emaciated Skeletons Lieutenant Coates, who had to amputate limbs with a butcher's saw and a table knife, summarised the position as "a spectacle of emaciated skeletons and waterlogged wrecks, lying in pain and misery such as I never wish to see again." Of the Burma-Siam railway, the report said the Japanese engineers had received instructions to expedite the laying of the line over dead bodies of prisoners of war.

The Japanese purpose, the report said, appeared to be to ensure a slow death of the prisoners of war by the maximum work and the minimum of food, under heart-breaking conditions. Hundreds of Japanese guards were pure sadists and the beating of prisoners of war was done systematically. A man could be knocked unconscious and revived without any bones or joints being broken. The report said that the Japanese were not only willing to use force but were willing to use force.

## Peeping Tom And 1360 Law

Hull, April 10. Two Hull women were startled by the sight of a man's face pressed against one of the windows of their homes recently. One of the women asked him what he was doing. "It's all right," he said, and then ran away. Yesterday at Hull, Herbert Thompson (85), of Graham Avenue, Hoigie Road, Hull, was bound over for 12 months under a 1360 Law which deals with people who, "go night walking, eavesdropping and night spying such as peeping through windows." The Stipendiary Magistrate, Mr. J. R. Macdonald said, "Lots of things are said about the Law of England, and some of them are out of date. But sometimes an old law is a very good one. Here is a man brought up for spying through people's windows, a most disgusting habit. He is run in because he has broken the law which was made in 1360, or nearly 600 years ago—a very good law."—Reuter.

### POLISH TROOPS

Rome, April 10. A contingent of 3,000 Polish soldiers from General Anders' Polish Second Corps is sailing tomorrow from Naples to Denmark. They are the first Polish troops to go home since the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, visited this country last week. The Polish Second Corps is to return and take part in the reconstruction of their country.—Reuter.

## NOVEL MOVE BY CHINESE

Geneva, April 10. A Chinese revolution urging that after the dissolution of the League of Nations, the mandatory and ex-mandatory powers should "submit to inspection" until the Trusteeship Council has been constituted, was put forward by the Chinese delegate, Dr. Lone Liang, at a meeting of the League's General Committee tonight.

Dr. Liang declared that in the period between the dissolution of the League and the creation of the Trusteeship Council, there would be a gap which threatened to turn the mandated territories into "a sort of no-man's land." The Chinese statement came as a complete surprise in the middle of the discussion on the transfer of the League's non-political activities, such as the control of narcotics.

After the Chinese statement, it was decided, on the recommendation of the Committee's Chairman, Maurice Bourquin of Belgium, to return to the agenda and leave the discussion of the Chinese resolution to later dates. Sir Hartley Shawcross, British Attorney-General, who is also a member of the Committee, immediately went to talk to the South African delegate, who had raised the mandate question. The Chinese novel move will be heard by the final assembly.—Reuter.

## EGYPTIANS ARE ANGRY

Cairo, April 10. The statement issued by the Sudanese delegation here about the forthcoming negotiations between Britain and Egypt for a revision of the Anglo-Egyptian Treaty has aroused the anger of the Egyptians.

The statement asked that the Sudanese delegation should form a third party to the negotiations and demanded the federation of the Sudanese Democratic Free Government in union with Egypt, but the nature of the union to be decided by the Sudanese Government. The statement further asked that the Free Sudanese Government should enter into a treaty with Britain in the light of its union with Egypt. The statement is a compromise between the varying views of the delegation, half of which wants an independent Sudan united under the Egyptian crown and the other half wants an independent Sudan allied to Britain.

The statement is bitterly denounced as "contrary to the wishes of the Nile Valley people by Dinan Pasha, prominent nationalist, Soleh Harb Pasha, President of the Young Men's Muslim Association, and Sheikh Hannan, head of the Moslem Brotherhood. "They all call on the Sudanese delegation to stand for the unity of Egypt and Sudan.—Reuter.

### QUID PRO QUO?

Washington, April 10. French officials here have confirmed that the United States delegation to the Franco-American financial and economic negotiations is seeking a French promise to provide as much as possible to private trade in return for possible credits from the Export and Import Bank.—Reuter.

### THE WEATHER

Today's forecast: Partly with heavy showers and drizzle from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Maximum temperature 60° Fahrenheit. Minimum 45° Fahrenheit. Wind from the south-east at 10 to 15 m.p.h.



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The world is a vast jig-saw puzzle in which all the separate bits lie around in meaningless disarray. All thoughtful people know that the bits must be put together if the world is to become a tolerable place for human beings to live in. It was the realisation of this fact which caused Clarence Streit's plan for Federal Union to receive such sympathetic consideration. Wendell Willkie's concept of "one world" stemmed from the same root. And more recently, the pleas of Mr. Anthony Eden and of the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, for a world parliament and a world government have been widely applauded, save in the Kremlin. All these plans and ideas depend for their realisation upon some greater or lesser abdication of sovereign rights. This is the fatal stumbling block. For, however much the idealists may cheer the reiteration of these noble aspirations, realists have reason to fear that there is little hope of their attainment in the foreseeable future. Can it be that we have been tackling the problem in the wrong way? Let us revert to the parallel of the jig-saw puzzle. If you have a jig-saw puzzle of some hundred pieces, would you expect to solve it by gazing at the pieces and muttering pious incantations in the hope that they would sort themselves out of their own accord? Would it not be wiser to get down on the floor and see if first two pieces could be fitted together, and thus to build up the picture bit by bit? And if it were found that someone had already assembled fifteen or twenty pieces, would it be sensible to insist on scrambling these up before you attempted a solution? Yet this is the attitude adopted by a large majority of people the moment it is suggested that the simplest way to set about building a world state would be by first achieving some measure

Three unemployed Chinese, Yuen Chun-ching, Lee Yip and Yuen Chun-chi, were charged before the Standing Military Court yesterday, with armed robbery at No. 49, Bowring Street, ground floor, on February 9, and theft of property to the value of \$1,846. The Court comprised, Mr. C. Y. Kwan, President, Sqr. Ldr. Stephen Grose and Fl. Ltut. Jack Carter.

Mr. F. X. d'Almada, assisted by Chief Detective Inspector N. B. Fraser, of Kowloon, conducted the prosecution.

Accused pleaded not guilty.

It was stated that on the evening of February 9, the Chan Po Shing Tung Chinese medicine shop, at No. 40, Bowring Street, Kowloon, was entered by two Chinese armed with revolvers, entered the same night and the men came and stayed all about midnight.

On information received, first and second accused were arrested on February 26.

They were, at the time, wearing some of the stolen clothing.

Third accused was also arrested on information.

Chan Chau, master of the shop, said he was not present during the robbery, but his wife and mother were there. He identified clothing at Yaumati Police Station on February 28, as his.

His wife in evidence stated that she could only identify the clothing which accused were wearing. She couldn't identify them as the robbers.

First accused said he bought the clothing from an unknown Chinese, and did not know it was stolen property. Second accused said that he bought the clothing from a hawk.

Third accused denied all knowledge of the robbery.

Second accused was discharged, owing to lack of evidence. First accused was acquitted, the Court giving them the benefit of the doubt.

A shopkeeper, Lui Wan Kwai, was charged before Mr. W. H. Latimer yesterday with the unlawful possession of 6,000 tins of evaporated milk, thirteen cases of tinned meat, nineteen cases of beans in tomato, eleven drums of ferrocete, 101 bags of cement, six cases of cheese, a case of beans, and 53 empty ferrocete drums at No. 3, Anchor Street, ground floor, on Mar. 20.

Mr. A. A. Silva is representing the accused, who on bail of \$1,000, was remanded to April 18.

Pleading guilty to breaking and entering a garage in Chatham Road, on Monday and stealing a tricycle and a bicycle, Tam Wah alias Pong Wah Cheung, and Suen Nam San, were each sentenced to six months' hard labour by Mr. Latimer yesterday. They were arrested in Argyle Street at about 5 p.m. the same day.

### Condensed Milk

Sir,—The Dalry Farm Ice & Cold Storage Co., Ltd., announce that one tin of Condensed Milk will be sold with this distribution of Butter, but let us hope that they will not puncture the lid of the time as they have done in the past. People holding dockets are bona fide consumers, so that the necessity of the puncture which only means inconvenience to the consumer and after all one may not like to use the milk immediately.

MAILKMAID

## Picasso

Sir.—The present controversy regarding the merits and demerits of Pienso reminds me very forcibly of the Ivan Kaskara schoolboy who flourished in the 30's. Yvonne Kaskara was, in actual fact, christened Charlie Jones and was the son of a Golders Green butcher. Owning the lack of demand for pork sausages which had always been a curious feature of Golders Green, the business was not a success, and Charlie, who was never loth to leave a sinking ship, disappeared smartly with 21/1d. from the cash register and the errand boy's bicycle. Pienso was not heard of again until he released "Billie" as the mascot of a Pork Sausage, was exhibited at the Tete a Tete Galleries. At that time he had grown a tremendous beard and had acquired a veneer of dirt and purple tints.

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**Emergency distribution of food by air is being organised by the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration in an effort to combat the famine which is reported to be reducing several millions of Chinese to eating grass, tree bark, roots and even clay.**

**Major-General Clair Chennault of Flying Tiger fame was disclosed to be forming an air transport unit to fly relief to the stricken areas in view of the difficulty of overland travel and sea routes.**

U.N.R.R.A. representatives have reported that the Hunan Province famine is particularly severe, and that "the country-side looked as if it had been shayed clean—all grass, weeds, foliage and bark from trees being grubbed for food." Little devastation, drought, floods, locust plagues, shortages of manpower, fertilizers, implements, farm animals and the demands of the army for food, are all contributing factors to the terrific threat of famine which the district now faces.

The most stage-conscious of H.M. Ships in harbour, H.M.S. "Euryalus," surprised almost last night with a review of the China Cock-salt that went off without a hitch and provided a good two hours and more of high class entertainment.

H.M.S. "Euryalus's" last effort was the pantomime "Aladdin," but last night's offering of the China Fleet Theatre was an improvement. More scope was given to the shorter sketches and — an important point — the revue introduced three members of the Wrens and one of the V.A.D.

Pincher Martin and his Harmonica Band will earn their programme billing of "Old Favorites" and a word should be said in praise of two excellent sketches representing the Hollywood and British versions of

The Hong Kong Y's Men's Club are to revive their weekly luncheon meetings; it was decided yesterday, at a special meeting held at the Yu Lo Sui Restaurant. It was also announced that Mr. William Yinson Lee, now in Shanghai, had been chosen as the delegate of the Chinese Y's Men's Clubs to the International Convention to be held at Bradford, Penn., in August.

The speaker at yesterday's lunch meeting was Dr. Joseph Yu, a founder and a past president of the Canton Y's Men's Club, who gave an account of the revival of Club activities in Canton.

Dr. Yu said there were British and American as well as Chinese members and bi-weekly meetings were held. A club room had been established at the Todd Hospital.

The President is Dr. K. Roy Mar.

Dr. Yu recalled the case of the foodstuffs, Mr. Tam K. Yau was killed on the first day of the Japanese attack on Hong Kong, a victim of a bombing raid. "Not only does the Canton club miss his services, but China lost a great social benefactor and Y.M.C.A. worker," Dr. Yu said.

The meeting elected Dr. Chan Kwan-po as Hon. Secretary and a Director of the Club, and Mr. Wellington Hsieh as a Director.

Macao, Apr. 10. Sources here said today that Foo Tak-yam, millionaire Macao gambling magnate, was unable to identify his kidnappers' hideout because he was blindfolded until he was placed in a junk's hold prior to his arrival here on Sunday after a five-day trip. The ransom paid for his release was reported to have been H.K.\$1,000,000. Foo's right ear was cut off, which was interpreted as an indication of the kidnappers' impatience over ransom negotiations, although many Macao residents ceased to worry about Foo's situation when his son and wife continued to appear in public during his absence.—Associated Press

Canton, Apr. 10.—  
The consul-general for the United States in Canton is to be Clarence J. Spiker, who held the post before the city fell to the Japanese in 1938.  
He is reported to have left Australia to return to the United States before coming to Canton in July of August.  
The American consul-general here is engaged mostly in repatriation and routine work under the direction of Consul Charles S. Millet.  
Most American firms in Canton have not yet reopened and there is little activity on the part of those which have.—Associated Press.

Sentence of three month's hard labour was imposed on Ip Shun by Mr. A. d'Aurell yesterday when convicted of theft from sheets from No. 39A, Conduit Road, on dates between April 1 and 6.

Cheung Huen was fined \$50 on two weeks' hard labour, for receiving five iron sheets.

Ip was arrested when he attempted a third visit to No. 39A, Conduit Road, the property of Jardine, Matheson.

Inspector H. Sell prosecuted.

Three months' imprisonment with hard labour was imposed on Wong Tek, caught snatching a hand-bag from a lady at Shanghai Street on Tuesday.

Tientsin, April 10.  
William Christian, an official of the British-American Tobacco Co., was rescued from a Chinese crowd here by U.S. Marines, announced Major-General K. Rockey today. Christian was not injured. He had been inside the plant which the crowd mostly workmen were picketing.

General Rockey also revealed that a U.S. Marine (whose name has not been released) was ambushed and killed, and his corpse robbed, by three Chinese on Sunday. The Marine was on his way to a village south of Tientsin to help the villagers with a sick horse. — Associated Press.

Cheung Wing-ki, 22, teacher, was brought before Mr. A. el Arculli yesterday, charged with unlawfully and illegally conducting a search at No. 131, Gloucester Road, first floor, and No. 130, third floor, by falsely representing himself as a Police officer.

Hau Hoon was charged with aiding and abetting.

Sub-Inspector Mischenko prosecuted.

Sidney Shadbolt, of No. 5 Commando, attached to No. 2 Police Station, said he was on patrol in Gloucester Road when he saw two Chinese enter a house in a suspicious manner. Accused were then seen arguing with the amah and leaving the Gloucester Road house. They were admitted to the premises. When they came out, accused were questioned, and first accused produced an armlet of the H.K.P. and said they were looking for an escaped man.

At No. 2 Police Station, enquiries revealed that accused, who formerly attached to the Special constabulary, were assigned something on October last.

The case was adjourned until this morning.

THE KOWLOON BUS COMPANY, IT IS LEARNED, IS NEGOTIATING FOR THE PURCHASE OF A NEW FLEET OF BUSES, BUT OWING TO THE ABNORMAL CONDITIONS PREVAILING IN ENGLAND, THERE IS A DELAY IN FULFILLING ORDERS, AND AS A RESULT THERE IS NO POSSIBILITY OF NEW BUSES ARRIVING IN HONG KONG UNTIL THE EARLY PART OF NEXT YEAR!

THE COMPANY HAS DISCLOSED THAT IF THE GOVERNMENT APPROVES, DOUBLE-DECKER BUSES WILL BE INTRODUCED ON THE VARIOUS ROUTES IN KOWLOON IN THE FUTURE.

"A Thousand, and One Nights" has the great merit of complete honesty. It is pure fantasy and obviously not meant to be taken seriously. The film is a free adaptation of the Arabian Nights story of Aladdin, a very free adaptation with some original story. What could be nicer than a Slave of the Lamp who turns out to be a shapely redhead? A red and who can produce a meal at the flick of a finger! In fact; this is cinema pantomime on a far more luxurious scale than could ever be produced on the stage, full of pretty girls, opulent settings and rich colour.

Ray Rennahan's photography is of his usual high standard, with trick scenes that are absolutely flawless. In spite of the difficulties of this type of work in Technicolor. The giant (Rex Ingram) is startlingly real.

G Evelyn Keyes makes a degenerate with a disconcerting repertoire of modern wisecracks and of all things—a yo-yo! Cornel Wilde whose last role (which made him famous) was that of composer Chopin, in "A Song to Remember" is a good Aladdin with a pleasant singing voice. Beneath the Oriental splendour of his robes Phil Silvers proves to be the same old trickster as ever; a light fingered gentleman, in a turban instead of a hat.

An interesting film this, with an unusual theme which has been made with exactly the right approach, a discreet modernisation of a centuries' old plot. One false move on the part of director Alfred Green, and the whole thing would have become merely silly, instead of the amusing and clever entertainment that it is. Showing now at the Lee Theatre.

G. W. Ashton.

A Police constable, Wu Hing, attached to No. 1 Police Station, was charged on Monday, Mr. A. C. Arculli yesterday with unlawful possession of a revolver and 53 rounds of ammunition.

Captain Haig Brown was for the prosecution, and Mr. D. H. Blake for the accused.

The charges concerning the revolver were withdrawn, and Mr. Blake pleaded guilty to possession of ammunition.

Mr. Blake said his client was a constable during the Japanese occupation, and the cartridges were given to him by the Japanese.

After the liberation, his client told his wife to throw the ammunition away, but she failed to carry out his order.

Taking into consideration that the accused would lose his position, Mr. Arculli fined him \$100 or 12 months' hard labour.

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### Demobbed Drummer's Job

London, April 10. London dance band leaders, Ambrose and Jack Jackson, today gave evidence when Ambrose Orchestra Limited appeared against the Reinstatement Committee's decision affecting Leslie Leston, a 25-years old drummer. It was stated that Leston was employed for 16 weeks as a drummer in Ambrose's band, touring music-halls, before he joined the army. Ambrose told the Umpire that Leston could not be reinstated in his former employment because there was now no octet. He could not be placed in similar employment because the only similar type of work was in the Ambrose Band, and Ambrose did not consider that Leston was up to the required standard. Jack Jackson said the qualifications required for a stage drummer and a ballroom drummer were totally different. Leston, who conducted his own case, said he learned the drum at the age nine and became a professional drummer at 14 and had since played with well-known bands for dancing, stage work, and radio and films. He regarded himself capable of holding a responsible post in a band. The Umpire reserved his decision.—Reuter.

Washington, April 10. It is authoritatively learned that U.N.R.R.A. is gravely concerned about a Shanghai report that a shipload of the Agency's rice quickly passed into the hands of black marketeers shortly after arrival in Shanghai recently. This has impeded Chinese action on the relief programme.—A. Associated Press.

### BRITISH MILITARY ADMINISTRATION HONG KONG

Department of Imports & Exports

### IMPORT LICENCES

Importers are notified that export allocations from the United Kingdom of Cotton Yarn and Piece Goods for consumption in Hong Kong Woolen Yarn and Piece Goods, Rayon Yarn and Piece Goods, Cotton, Wool and Rayon Knitted Goods and Knitted Fabrics, which have so far only been available on Government account, have been returned to normal commercial channels. Exporters in the United Kingdom are now free to offer these goods for export to Hong Kong up to the quotas which have been fixed.

2. In order that importers may be permitted the maximum freedom within the import control system, a new form of licence, called "Quota Licence," will be issued on application to all established importers of these goods. These licences will not place any limit on the amount the importer may bring in under the licence; he will be free to import as much as he can secure and will not have to make a separate application for an import licence to cover each transaction.

3. Applications for quota licences should be made to the Superintendent of Imports and Exports on the usual application form. They will be issued a blanket licence covering specified items from the list above for export from Great Britain during the first half of 1946. The number will be prefixed with the letters BQA. The issue of second half year licences will commence on June 1st and their prefix will be BQB.

4. Licences will be issued only to persons and firms who were actually importers of similar goods in 1941.

5. Licences will be issued as at present for those goods which are intended for re-export.

6. Licences already issued should be replaced by "quota" licences if for Hong Kong consumption.

H. A. TAYLOR,  
Superintendent,  
Imports & Exports.

Hong Kong, 10th April, 1946

### E.P.D. To Disappear In December Next

LONDON, APRIL 10. HALF A MILLION BRITISH CITIZENS IN THE LOWER PAID SCALE ARE TO CEASE PAYING INCOME TAX ENTIRELY. MILLIONS EARNING LESS THAN £1,200 A YEAR WILL BENEFIT FROM AN INCREASE IN EARNED INCOME TAX ALLOWANCE.

OPENING HIS BUDGET SPEECH IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS TODAY, THE CHANCELLOR OF THE EXCHEQUER, MR. HUGH DALTON, DECLARING THAT REVENUE FOR THE PAST YEAR HAD BEEN £3,284,000,000, SAID BEER, TOBACCO AND ENTERTAINMENTS TAXES ESTABLISHED NEW HIGH RECORDS. BEER YIELDED £300,000,000, TOBACCO £400,000,000 AND ENTERTAINMENTS DUTY £50,000,000.

The Purchase Tax at £118,000,000 also set up a record. Income Tax produced £1,361,000,000, beating the estimate by £11,000,000 and set up a new high record.

Actual expenditure at £5,484,000,000 showed a saving of £1,000,000 on last April's estimate. The realised deficit for last year was £2,200,000,000.

Mr. Dalton declared: "Prospects for the year 1946 are less sombre than some of the scribes have imagined. Estimated expenditure is £3,837,000,000—a reduction of £1,728,000,000 on the estimate for last year.

"Expenditure would include £1,667,000,000 on Defence and Supply. Defence votes for this year include some £20,000,000 more for better pay and allowances. Officers and other ranks in the three services and £10,000,000 more for more generous war pensions."

He said that £335,000,000 was being provided this year for cost of living subsidies. "This policy of price stability is costing a lot of money," Mr. Dalton commented, but expressed determination to hold the cost of living substantially at its present figure for the calendar year.

At the existing rate of taxation Customs and Excise duties should produce about £1,200,000,000.

### BRITISH MILITARY ADMINISTRATION HONG KONG

Department of Imports & Exports

### IMPORT LICENCES

Importers are notified that allocations from India for consumption in Hong Kong of cotton piece goods which have so far only been available on Government account, have been returned to normal commercial channels. Exporters in India are now free to offer these goods for export to Hong Kong up to the quotas which have been fixed. Goods offered and purchased are part of Hong Kong's allocation and are not for export from the Colony.

2. In order the importers may be permitted the maximum freedom within the import control system, a new form of licence, called "Quota Licence," will be issued on application to all established importers of these goods. These licences will not place any limit on the amount the importer may bring in under the licence; he will be free to import as much as he can secure and will not have to make a separate application for an import licence to cover each transaction.

3. Applications for quota licences should be made to the Superintendent of Imports and Exports on the usual application form. They will be issued a blanket licence for export from India during the first half of 1946. Their number will be prefixed by the letters IQA. The issue of licences for the second half of 1946 will commence on June 1st—their number will be prefixed by the letters IQB.

4. Importers who experience difficulty in contacting exporters in India with export allocations should ask the assistance of Industry Section—G.T.I. Department.

5. Licences will be issued as at present for those goods which are intended for re-export.

6. Licences already issued should be replaced by "quota" licences if for Hong Kong consumption.

H. A. TAYLOR,  
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Hong Kong, 10th April, 1946

### Gandhi's Proposal

New Delhi, April 10. Mr. Gandhi has suggested to the British Cabinet Mission that if a settlement between Congress and the Muslim League is not reached on the question of Pakistan, it may be referred to an international tribunal, it was understood in New Delhi tonight.—Reuter.

### Levelling Out R.A.F. Releases

London, April 10. Only airmen who will be more than three groups behind the general level in R.A.F. release in May and June are those employed on accounting duties, who will have a delay of five groups, says the Under-Secretary for Air, Mr. John Strachey, in a written answer in the House of Commons.

"We are doing all we can to level out the release rate and we have constantly explained in our demob form the reasons for any unevenness which was foreshadowed in the White Paper as well as the steps we are taking to correct it," he writes.

"Despite accelerations of release up to date, which of course accentuate these problems, I am glad to say that delays will effect something less than two per cent. of the R.A.F. in May and June.—Reuter.

carry £50,000,000, due to the sale of war stores to an Estate Fund—National Land Fund—which would increase national estate. "We shall use the funds for the acquisition of land, which we think should be publicly owned," he declared.

Other points made by Mr. Dalton were that the sugar preference margins, which expires next August, would be continued another two years. Export trade was moving very well. Exports were rising more rapidly than some people thought likely.

The estimated expenditure for 1946-47 is £3,837,000,000 and total revenue on the existing basis of taxation £3,193,000,000 so that the prospective deficit stands at £694,000,000. Allowing for certain terminal items, such as the winding up of war contracts, Britain would not be very far off a balanced budget this year. "This, I regard as a most remarkable achievement to be proclaimed not only in this country, but throughout the world," Mr. Dalton declared.

He announced that from the end of this month the 3 per cent. Defence bonds will be discontinued. From May 1 there would be a new offer of Defence bonds bearing interest of 2 1/2 per cent.

**Invitation To Industry**  
Mr. Dalton said that when presenting his last budget he expressed the view that post-war development should come before increased dividends, and he invited industry to plough back increased profit rather than distribute them to shareholders. The response had been very patchy. Many of the most efficient and up-to-date concerns had responded very well, but others had shown a tendency to throw money about among shareholders rather than strengthen their resources and buy up-to-date equipment.

"Therefore, it would be premature for me to decide whether next year it would be in general in accordance to introduce new tax checks, as I think, this unfortunate practice."

Mr. Dalton spoke for two hours and five minutes.  
**Counter To Inflation**  
Sydney Gampell, Reuter Financial Editor, writes that on a broad economic aspect, the Chancellor voiced general opinion that "the only counter to inflation is to produce more goods" and tax proposals must be judged against the need to stimulate more production and the need on the other hand, to hold back purchasing power.

The total remission of the Purchase Tax announced today amounts to only about seven per cent. of the tax overall, and the Chancellor ominously foreshadowed that this wartime innovation would not be temporary.

On death duties he was certainly performed the nearest trick of the year. Although introducing exemptions and reductions for smaller estates, his "death" increase on a relatively small number of estates above £12,500 will be £1,000,000 in a full year, and £2,000,000 in a full year.

The budget should be popular with taxpayers, though it will be in fact are small.—Reuter.

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## Gromyko Attends UNO Security Council

NEW YORK, APRIL 10.

THE SECURITY COUNCIL OF THE UNO, OPENED SHORTLY AFTER 3 P.M. IN NEW YORK TODAY. THE RUSSIAN DELEGATE, M. ANDREI GROMYKO, WAS PRESENT AT THE OPENING, BUT HUSSEIN ALA, THE IRANIAN DELEGATE WAS ABSENT.

### BRIDGE NOTES

In a great number of hands, one opponent can make a danger, one lead while the other cannot. Every effort should then be made in the play of the hand, to avoid giving the lead to the danger hand. For example:  
South, Dealer  
Neither side vulnerable

S. 68	N. 1094
H. 664	H. 10987
D. 408	D. 85
C. K 10 9 8 8	C. Q 7 5 4
S. A Q 7 2	S. 10 9 4
H. 6 3 2	H. 10 9 8 7
D. 7 4 4 2	D. 8 5
C. 6	C. Q 7 5 4

The bidding: North East  
South West 3NT Pass  
Pass Pass

West led the seven of spades. East played the nine, and South won with the Jack. South could now count on three hearts, one diamond, and two clubs in top cards. Two more tricks were needed for the contract.

A novice would have taken the diamond finesse, but that would have lost to East's King and a spade return would then set the contract. But South, who was no novice, realized the danger of letting East gain the lead. He therefore decided to make his two additional tricks in clubs, playing so as to keep East out of the lead.

At the second trick he led the Jack of hearts overtaking with dummy's Queen. Then he returned the ten of clubs, letting it ride when East played low. Had the finesse lost, the rest of the club suit would have been enough for the contract. When it won, Declarer took another finesse, cashed the club Ace, and got back to dummy with the diamond Ace to take the remaining two clubs. This safe line of play produced ten tricks.

Yesterday you were Oswald Jacoby's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, you held:

S. Q J 10 8 4 2	N. 10 9 8 4 2
H. J 10 3	H. 10 9 8 4 2
D. A 4	D. 8 5
C. 7 5	C. 7 5

The bidding: Schenken Jacoby Maier You  
Pass 1D Pass 1S  
Pass 2NT Pass (7)

ANSWER: Bid four spades. There must be a game in the cards, perhaps more. By showing your strength at this point, you make a mild slam suggestion without getting past the same level. If you bid only three spades, you should make a slam try later on; and your hand is not strong enough for a slam try past the game level.

Score 100 per cent for four spades, 70 per cent for three spades.

### QUESTION

Today you hold the same hand, and the bidding continues:  
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Pass 1D Pass 1S  
Pass 2NT Pass 4S  
Pass 6S Pass (7)  
What do you bid? (Answer Tomorrow).

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### Getting Ahead Too Fast

Seoul, Apr. 10.  
The spirit of democracy is gripping Korean teachers and students, so strongly that the military government officials are perturbed as to how to tone it down without destroying the enthusiasm so prominently displayed.

It is a common thing to hear stump speeches in the classrooms and to see whole classes of schools committed to political action, or mobilized into parades supporting a single political party. Military government authorities have warned teachers that schools belong to a whole community and in a democratic schoolroom, it may not be used to influence opinion in favour of any one political group.—Associated Press.

"periodic" meeting should be twice yearly.

The Council accepted that under Article 29 of the Charter, Gromyko's recommendation should be approved.

Tonight's discussion on controversial sections of the draft rules of the Council's procedure is expected to be brief and the Spanish delegation's request for consideration of General Franco's Spanish regime, is not likely to find a place on the agenda for a few days, as it is anticipated that after tonight's session there will be an adjournment for some days.—Reuter.

## Everlasting Match: U.S. Allegations

Washington, April 10.

The United States Attorney-General, Mr. Tom Clark announced today, "final judgement dissolving the worldwide match cartel was entered by the New York City District Court in the civil anti-trust suit instituted on May 1, 1944 against the world's leading match producers located in the United States, Sweden and Great Britain."

According to this statement, Bryant and May, which did not appear as a defendant in the final action, "entered into a conspiracy with Swedish and American producers, which successfully suppressed the manufacturer of Everlasting matches (a match which is said, may be struck several thousand times before it was consumed). Company, all three leading American concerns.

### Agreed Settlement

The defendants, in agreeing to settlements, stipulated that they admitted no violations of the law—a stipulation that has been accepted by the Government.

The decree forbids the revival of former agreements between the Swedish Match Company, and the Diamond Match Company, and forbids the former from selling matches in the United States, through the Diamond Company, for five years.

It also compels the Diamond Match Company to sell matches for export all over the world, and prevents it from selling through the Swedish Match Company.

The Everlasting Match was invented in Europe and was once manufactured in Holland and Switzerland. Its compressed pencil of chemicals can be lighted and extinguished thousands of times before being used up.

It has been stated that the match can be manufactured for sale between 3d. and 6d.—Reuter.

The suit concluded by the signing, by Judge Samuel Mantonbaum, of a consent decree to which signatories were a Swedish match company, two American firms, described as its agents, the Diamond Match Company, the Universal Match Corporation and the Lion Match

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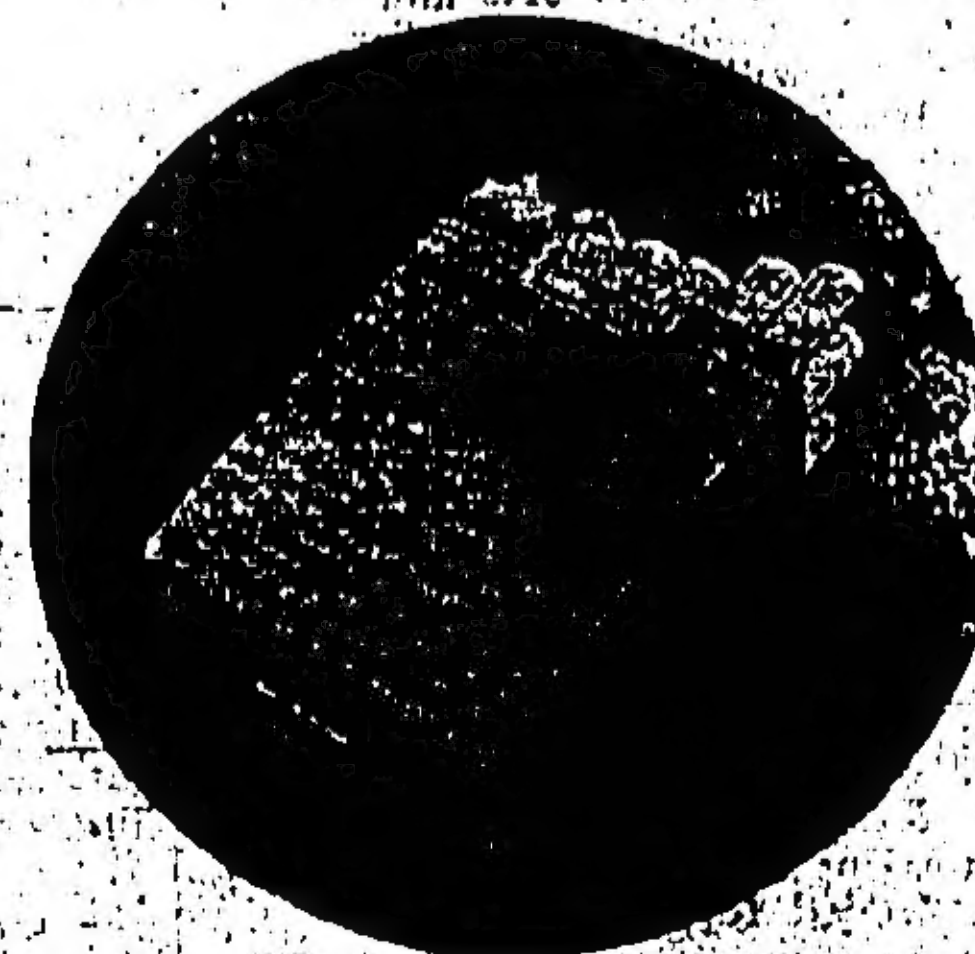
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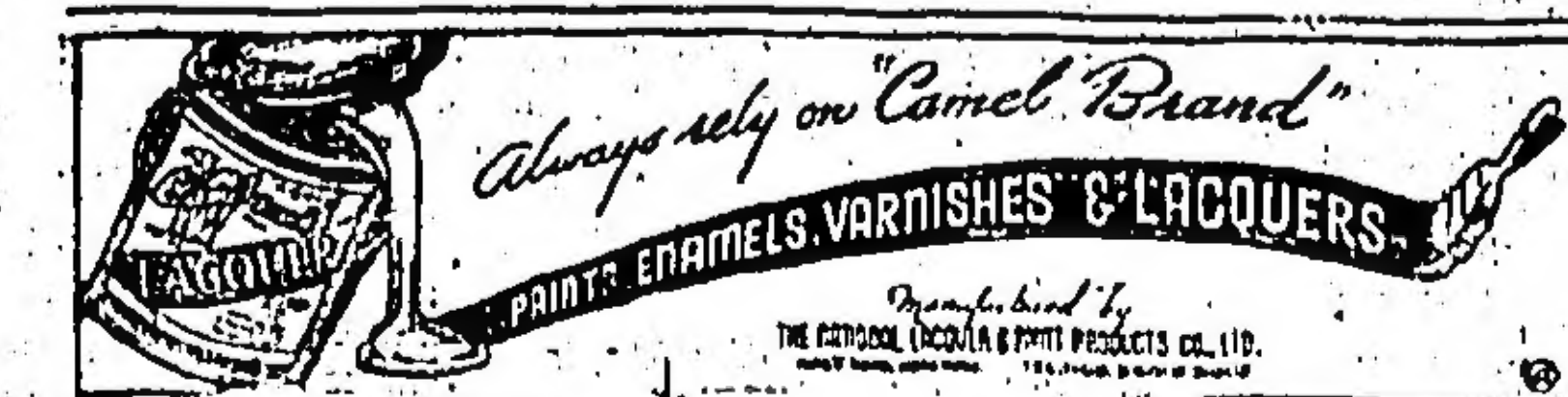
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China Buildings (5th floor)  
Hong Kong, on Friday the 26th  
April, 1946, at 12 o'clock noon,  
for the purpose of receiving the  
Report of the Directors and the  
Statement of Account for the  
year 1945, and of electing three  
directors and an auditor.

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# EXECUTIONS ADMITTED

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Sgt. Yoshida, 11th Co. was  
wounded and was evacuated  
from the island on the morning  
of the 20th.

"Evidence will be called to  
show that this so-called guerilla  
activity was not confined to Lan-  
tau but had also broken out on  
the mainland at various times  
and places. The defence hopes  
to place before the Court a  
more definite picture of what  
these armed bands were then  
has emerged, intermittently  
from the evidence of witnesses  
Tung Chung Gendarmier on  
for the prosecution.

"Evidence will show that  
Lantau Island was also subject-  
ed to attack on or about 19th  
August and that casualties  
were suffered by the Japanese.

## Five Deaths

"Evidence will be called to  
show that the Japanese officer  
2/Lieut. Sato and four other  
ranks had been killed under  
mysterious circumstances on or  
about May 6 before Kishi and  
his unit took over on the is-  
land, and that this fact was  
generally known by the inhabi-  
tants. Also that Lam Fook  
and Tsang Sau, village elders,  
had been detained by the Japa-  
nese Water Police on suspicion  
of having been connected with  
this affair.

"Evidence will be brought to  
show that a Japanese soldier,  
Pte. Kinoshita, was missing af-  
ter the Chinese had attacked a  
small Japanese party at Ngau  
Koo Long village on August 22.

"Returning to the events of  
the 19th, it will be shown that  
the battle and subsequent search  
of the villagers and rounding up  
of suspects took place while  
Lieut. Kishi was absent on  
Cheung Chau Island, but at  
1700 hours he received a re-  
port from Warrant Officer Ya-  
nagizawa Sadao who had re-  
mained at Headquarters owing  
to the fact that he was indis-  
posed.

"During the absence of Lieut.  
Kishi, Lieut. Matsumoto in  
charge. From 1700 hours on-  
wards Kishi took full responsi-  
bility for subsequent precau-  
tionary and punitive measures  
taken against the Chinese who  
were suspected and proved,  
after an investigation and ex-  
amination, of having taken part  
in the fighting or helped the  
attackers.

"The defence does not seek  
to prove that every villager was  
a guerilla or that anything like  
a mass uprising took place  
against the Japanese but rather  
to show that an armed Chinese  
band was aided and helped by  
the villagers who, in a number  
of cases, actually joined them  
in the fight.

## Situation Precarious

"It will be shown that from  
August 19th and following  
shortly on the Emperor Hiro-  
hito's broadcast, the situation  
became somewhat precarious  
for the Japanese forces on Lan-  
tau Island and that it was ne-  
cessary for Lieut. Kishi to take  
drastic measures in order to sta-  
bilize the situation. The de-  
fence does not deny that a num-  
ber of villagers were drasti-  
cally dealt with or that a num-  
ber were tied up and even in a  
few cases beaten. It does, how-  
ever, deny that the water torture  
or any other kind of torture was  
applied. Moreover it will be  
argued that in taking such mea-  
sures after due investigation  
and examination, the Japanese  
officers were acting in accord-  
ance with their orders, and  
believed that in so doing they  
were fulfilling their obligations  
as the military representatives  
of the occupying power pending  
the arrival of Allied forces and  
the formal acts of surrender to  
the Allied power.

## Commander in Box

Lt. Kishi Yasuo, giving evi-  
dence, said he had been in the  
Japanese Army for eight years  
and an officer for four years. He  
took over the command of Lan-  
tau Island on May 10 when the  
Yasohara Company left. Capt.  
Yasohara, Commander of the  
Yosohara Company, said that  
the Chinese Communists had re-  
cently attacked and killed five  
Japanese, including one officer.

At 8 p.m. on August 15, he  
received wireless instruction  
from his immediate superior,  
Capt. Shimakada, of Defence  
Headquarters, stating that  
Japan had surrendered uncon-  
ditionally to the Allies. The  
message instructed him to (1)  
maintain public order and peace  
and garrison the island until  
the arrival of Allied forces; (2)  
use weapons if attacked and, if  
necessary, in self-defence; and  
(3) wait for further orders re-  
garding the date of withdrawal  
of his company from the island.  
Between 7 p.m. and 8 p.m. on  
August 16, he was away from  
Lantau Island. He returned

shortly after 5 p.m. and was in-  
formed by his subordinates that  
his company had been attacked  
at about 2.20 p.m. by some 60  
Chinese Communists, 30 from  
the direction of the hill and 20  
from the village of Chung Hau.

On reaching H.Q., he saw  
between 30 and 40 Chinese  
there and went to investigate.  
On the way to the village, he  
saw a Chinese who had been  
killed. Sgt. Sato Yoshio in-  
formed him that the dead man  
was a village Communist, dressed  
in the usual Chinese clothing.  
In the village, he saw about  
30 rifle cartridges in front of  
Tsang Sam Lee's house as well  
as in front of a tea house  
which Lam Fook used to fre-  
quent.

At about 6 p.m. he returned  
to H.Q. and saw Tsang Sam Lee  
and Lam Fook. Through a  
Formosan interpreter, an in-  
vestigation was carried out. Dur-  
ing the interrogation, Tsang and  
Lam maintained that they had  
never seen Communists, nor  
heard rifle shots. As a result,  
accused admitted, he gave them  
a few blows.

Eventually, accused contin-  
ued, both Tsang and Lam con-  
fessed that they had taken part  
in the attack for revenge and  
to obtain arms and ammunition  
from the Japanese.

Upon the completion of the  
investigation, he sentenced both  
men to death and executed them  
personally for following rea-  
sons:

"The Company firstly possess-  
ed a few soldiers, secondly had  
no water transportation facili-  
ties, thirdly was in fear of fu-  
ture attacks, and fourthly was  
still responsible for the peace  
and order of the island until  
the arrival of Allied forces.

## Missing Soldier

Continuing, Kishi Yasuo  
stated that on August 22nd one  
of his soldiers disappeared.  
Later, it was confirmed that the  
missing soldier had been killed  
by villagers. Subsequently, he  
sent four men into the village to  
investigate. Only 30 minutes  
later, he heard rifle sounds and  
himself led a force into the vil-  
lage. The fighting lasted for 20  
minutes, after which he found  
a number of rifles cartridges  
inside the village. One soldier  
named Kinoshita was missing.

The following day, accused  
and some soldiers set out for  
the village to locate the missing  
soldier. They failed to locate  
him, however.

Asked by Capt. Croft, accus-  
ed said that Sgt. Jomori Rishi  
and L/Cpl. Ando Takashi were  
not on the island between Aug-  
ust 19th and 26th. They were  
in Hong Kong and did not re-  
turn to the island until after  
August 26.

In cross-examination, Capt.  
Reilly, prosecuting, asked: "Is  
that correct that you are com-  
pletely innocent of the charge  
today?"

Accused: I believe I'm inno-  
cent.

Capt. Reilly: How many heads  
did you chop off on Lantau?

Three.

How many heads did you  
chop off in your life?

The Court President inter-  
vened and said the Court could  
not see justification for this  
question since this might in-  
jure accused's character and  
was not directly connected with  
the period between August 18th  
and 25th.

Capt. Reilly: I just want to  
find out whether accused made  
a habit of chopping off people's  
heads.

Resuming his cross-examina-  
tion, Capt. Reilly asked: What  
kind of defence construction  
did you do on Lantau?—Air and  
naval bombardment defence  
works.

Were you quite safe from  
other bombardment?—I did not  
feel quite safe, but I was only  
ordered by superior to con-  
struct these two defence works.

Who gave you such instruc-  
tions?—The Defence H.Q.

Capt. Shimakada?—Yes.  
When did you receive the  
message instructing you to use  
weapons?—On August 16th  
from Capt. Shimakada, my su-  
perior commander.

## New Instructions

Had the international situa-  
tion then altered so much that  
you required new instructions  
to defend yourself?—Because I  
did not know how to act since  
Japan had surrendered.

So you were quite aware of  
the situation. Were not you?—  
There was no difference in fight-  
ing during the war or after the  
surrender, because we always  
fought for self-defence.

Do you mean you never at-  
tacked?—Before the surrender,  
we did make positive fighting.

Do you mean attack?—Yes.  
Did Capt. Shimakada give  
you permission to chop off peo-  
ple's heads for self-defence at  
that precarious moment?—I  
was not given such a direct or-  
der but, as an individual com-  
mander, I could do it during  
operations.

How about after an opera-  
tion?—I believe I, being the  
garrison commander, can do it.  
At this stage, the Court was  
adjourned until today.

## RIFLE AMMUNITION

For possession of 679 rounds of  
rifle ammunition, Ng Ah-wing was  
charged before Mr. A. C. Arculli  
yesterday.

It was stated that the ammu-  
nition was found in a bag accus-  
ed was carrying near the tram ter-  
minus at Whitty Street.

At the request of the prosecu-  
tion, the case was adjourned until  
April 17.

San Francisco, Apr. 10.  
The U.N.R.R.A. announced  
yesterday it has completed the  
purchase of ten California boats  
for the Chinese fishing fleet.—  
Associated Press.

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No. B27	" " " 106°	" " " " "	8.20
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